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This is in response to the Office Communication dated February 25, 2004, and is submitted on or before the due date of April 25, 2004 (a Sunday).

Applicants have ordered a certified copy of the priority application PCT/US00/06952 from U.S. Patent and Trademark Office. However, Applicants have not yet received the copy.

Applicants respectfully request that the date for submission of priority document be extended. Applicants will submit the document immediately upon the receipt of same.

CONCLUSION

The U.S. Patent and Trademark Office is hereby authorized to charge any fee deficiency, including fees under §1.17; or credit any overpayment, to our Deposit Account No. <u>08-3038</u> referencing Atty. Dkt. No. 05882.0129.CPUS05. A duplicate copy of this sheet is attached.

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